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(a) A municipal authority may issue bonds when and in the amounts needed to provide funds for all or part of a system's:

- (1) Design;
- (2) Construction;
- (3) Extension;
- (4) Alteration;
- (5) Purchase; or
- (6) Condemnation.

(b) The bonds issued under this subtitle:

- (1) May be issued without previous legislative authority;
- (2) May be outstanding in addition to the total indebtedness otherwise permitted by law;
- (3) May be of any type and denomination determined by the municipal authority, so long as no bonds mature later than 50 years from the date of issue;
- (4) Shall be exempt forever from any State, county, or municipal taxation; and
- (5) Shall be a lien on all property within the municipality that issues them.

(c) (1) Before issuing bonds under Part II of this subtitle, a municipal authority shall submit to a referendum of the voters of the municipality the question of whether to issue the bonds.

- (2) The referendum shall be held at:

- (i) Any regular municipal election; or
  - (ii) A special municipal election, provided that the voters are given at least 20 days' notice of the election.
- (3) The referendum ballot shall include the words “for ... bonds” and “against ... bonds”.
- (4) If a majority of the votes cast are “for ... bonds”, the municipal authority may issue the bonds.
- (5) If a majority of the votes cast are “against ... bonds”, the municipal authority:
  - (i) May not issue the bonds; but
  - (ii) May submit the question at any later regular or special municipal election as provided under this section, until a majority of the votes cast is “for ... bonds”.

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